1	2	3	4	5
5.	MP Women in Agriculture	Den.	Rs. 6.25 crore	Rs. 6.25 crore
6.	Integrated Livestock Dev. Project Baster	Den.	Rs. 14.01 crore	Rs. 14.01 crore
7.	Comprehensive Watershed Dev. Project in Malwa Region	Den.	Rs. 13.15 crore	Rs. 13.15 crore
8.	Lake Bhopal Conservation	Japan	Yen 6300 million	Yen 7055 million
9.	Rajghat Canal Irrigation	Japan	Yen 17350 million	Yen 13222 million
10.	Tuberculosis Control Proj.*	IDA	Rs. 749.28 crore	US $ 142.4 million
11.	Reproductive & Child Health Services Project*	IDA	US $ 308.1 million	US $ 240 million
12.	Dam Safety Project*	IDA	US $ 196.8 million	US $ 130 million
13.	Hydrology Project*	IDA	US $ 162.4 million	US $ 142 million
	Approved projects but agreement yet to be signed			
14.	Automatic Forest Fire Watchers at Kanha National Park	France	FF 10 million	FF 10 million
15.	MP Sericulture Project	Japan	Rs. 262 crore	Yen 2212 million
16.	Malaria Control Project	IDA	US $ 203.9 million	US $ 164.2 million

*Multi-State/Centrally sponsored project where Madhya Pradesh is a participating State. The loan amount pertains to the project as a whole since State-wise break-up of loan is not available separately.

Non-Banking Financial Companies in Uttar Pradesh

508. SHRI S.P. JAISWAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of non-banking financial institutions approved by the Reserve Bank of India to operate in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether the Government are aware of the fact that several such institutions have duped the depositors on a large scale;

(c) if so, the action taken against these fraudulent units;

(d) whether the Government propose to impose a ban on these institutions; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) Before the recent amendment to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Act 1934, there was no requirement for seeking approval or prior permission of RBI before commencing or carrying on the business of Non-Banking Financial (NBFCs).

As reported by RBI the number of NBFCs on the mailing list of RBI, Lucknow were 1855. The number of companies registered under the erstwhile Voluntary Registration Scheme was seven. The number of companies in Uttar Pradesh which have now applied for registration with RBI as per the provisions of Section 45 1A of RBI Act are 1425.

(b) and (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) and (e) The RBI Act as amended in 1997 provides that only registered NBFCs can carry on the business of NBFCs. However, existing NBFCs which have applied for registration within the prescribed time limit may carry on business until their application for registration is rejected by RBI. Furthermore, the RBI Act authorises the RBI to prohibit companies from accepting deposits in case of non-compliance with statutory provisions or any directions of RBI. RBI may also, if need be, file a winding up petition in the High Court.

Seizure of Goods by Customs Officials

509. DR. BALIRAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of goods seized by the Customs officials at different places during the last four months;

(b) the value of seized goods;

(c) whether any incentives were given to the officers and employees who seized the goods;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the method by which the goods seized by the Government were auctioned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Smuggling of Cardamon, Cloves and Cassia

510. SHRI P.C. THOMAS: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether cardamom, cloves and cassia are being smuggled into India;

(b) if so, the total smuggling or illegal imports have taken place in each of these during the last two years, year-wise;

(c) whether the Government have adjudicated on such imports without licence;

(d) if so, the details of each items, adjudication regarding imports in ports like Cochin, Touticorin, Madras (Chennai), Mangalore, all ports of Mumbai and in other Indian ports during the said period;

(e) the details of quantity and value of each items on which penalty and other prosecution imposed; and

(f) the quantity of each such illegal imports which have been regularised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) to (f) The information is being collected an will be laid on the Table of the House.

Rationalisation of the Stamp Act, Sales Tax Structure

511. SHRI SHANTILAL PARSOTAMDAS PATEL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his ministry has organised any meeting of all the State Finance Ministers during May, 1997 to discuss the rationalisation of the Stamp Act, Sales Tax structure and also Value Added Tax System throughout the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the decision taken at the meeting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ): (a) and (b) A meeting of the Finance Ministers of all States and Union Territories was convened by the Union Finance Minister on 4th July, 1997 to discuss the report of the group of Officials and Experts of Taxation of Inter-State Sales and the Report of the Committee of State Finance Ministers on Stamp Duty Reforms.

(c) There was general consensus on the imperatives of reforming the Central Sales Tax and Stamp Duty and introduction of VAT.

Inspection of Coal Stocks

512. SHRI VINAY KATIYAR:

SHRI MAHAVIR LAL BISHVAKARAMA:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the names of mines of Coal India Ltd. and its subsidiaries in which shortage in stock of Coal was detected during the last three years at the time of inspection of coal mines;

(b) the action taken by the Government in this regard; and

(c) the steps by the Government to prevent recurrence of such incidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) According to the coal stock verification carried out in CIL mines during 1993-94 to 1995-96, coal stock shortage revealed beyond permissible variation of +/- 5% is given in attached statement. Stock verification for 1996-97 is in progress.

(b) Whenever any shortage beyond +/- 5% variation is revealed in coal stocks, action is taken against the erring officials by the concerned coal company.

(c) To prevent stock shortages, following steps including periodic physical measurement of coal stock are being taken:-

(1)

(I)	Monthly	-	By Unit Level Teams
(II)	Quarterly	-	By Area Level Teams
(III)	Bi-annually	-	By Subsidiary Headquarter Level Teams
(IV)	Annually	-	By CIL Level Teams

(2) Check measurements are being undertaken in 10% of collieries having high stocks by survey teams comprising of surveyors other than CIL subsidiaries as members.

(3) Action against erring officials, wherever coal stock shortage is revealed, are taken by coal companies.

(4) Surprise check surveys are also carried out.